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TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

TO

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER

ON THE WORKING OF THE

PUBLIC FREE LIBRARIES.

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REPORT, 1874-5.

To the Council of the City of Manchester.

The Public Free Libraries Committee present the following Report :—

During the past year 1952 volumes have been added to the Library. Of these 993 volumes were presented and 959 purchased. The addition to the Reference Library consists of 1281 volumes, and to the Lending Department of 671 volumes. The total number of volumes on the shelves of all the Libraries is 132,887, of which 53,821 are in the Reference, and 79,066 in the Lending Libraries.

The difficulties which have been experienced in connection with the Reference Library, in consequence of the dispersion, for safe keeping, of a large portion of its heavier books in some of the Branch Libraries, have, as might be expected, led to a diminution of the number of volumes produced to readers in the Library. This state of matters must, it seems, continue until another Reference Library is provided which will be capable of shelving all the books belonging to it. The issue of books in the Reference Department during the past year was 64,317 volumes, being a decrease of 14,860 volumes as compared with that of the preceding year. But in the Specifications of Patents, which remain stored at Campfield and of easy reference, the issues have increased from 72,523 to 97,282.

In the Lending Department there has been a reduction in the number of volumes issued, but the total is still sufficiently large to maintain the prominent reputation which Manchester has so long enjoyed. Rightly considered, the reduction must be credited to an improvement in the taste of readers, the diminution being largely compensated for by superiority in the quality of the books applied for, these having been of a more elevated character and a higher rank of thought. In order to arrive at some positive data on this point, the works of fiction which used to be included in Class "Literature" have been separately enumerated, so as to form a distinct Class. The returns show that the total number of volumes taken by the readers to their homes during the year has been 554,779, against 590,646 in the preceding year, the decrease, amounting to 35,867 volumes, being entirely in Works of Fiction and in the Class "Politics," in the respective proportion of 34,752 volumes of the former and 1,115 volumes of the latter. In higher Literature

the issues have increased from 146,219 to 146,319; in Theology and Philosophy from 14,896 to 15,069; in Science and Art from 34,823 to 36,876. The greatest advance is noticed in Class History, Biography, and Travels, where 81,367 volumes have circulated against 78,385 in the preceding year.

The number of applicants to whom books have been delivered for home reading amounts to 474,216, and that for books to be used in the Reading Rooms to 135,445; the number of readers who have used the newspapers and periodicals placed on the stands and tables of the Newsrooms amounts to upwards of 1,639,365, showing that the number of times that persons have availed themselves of the Free Libraries during the year amounts to 2,249,026, as compared with 2,355,028 in the year preceding.

The printing of the Reference Library Continuation-Catalogue is making satisfactory progress. It will include the entries of a large mass of valuable pamphlets, ancient and modern, in every branch of knowledge. Much time and labour have been expended in extending the means of ready reference to this most important portion of the Library, so that those who are seeking information upon any subject may know where to find it.

Plans for the building of the Cheetham Branch Library were obtained from several Architects. Those of Messrs. Barker and Ellis were selected by the Committee after long and careful consideration and consultation with Messrs. Mills and Murgatroyd as their professional advisers. The work is now in the hands of the Contractor, and will be carried out with all reasonable speed.

The necessity of rescuing the Reference Library from its present unsatisfactory condition occupies the attention of the Committee, and they hope at no distant time to be able to make some suggestion for the future which will meet with the approbation of the Council.

On behalf of the Committee,

(Signed) THOMAS BAKER, *Chairman.*

Town Hall, October 20th, 1875.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Table 1.

Number of Volumes in the Libraries at the end of each Year since the Foundation.

	Reference Library.	Lending Department.	Totals.
1st Year, 1852-53.....	15744	7195	22939
2nd " 1853-54.....	19198	7546	26744
3rd " 1854-55.....	20048	8213	28261
4th " 1855-56.....	22563	10010	32573
5th " 1856-57.....	25858	10029	35887
6th " 1857-58.....	25201	18405	43666
7th " 1858-59.....	27846	23394	51240
8th " 1859-60.....	29502	24243	53745
9th " 1860-61.....	30462	26092	56554
10th " 1861-62.....	31604	28743	60347
11th " 1862-63.....	31873	30282	62155
12th " 1863-64.....	33507	31861	65368
13th " 1864-65.....	35133	33077	68210
14th " 1865-66.....	38426	39318	77744
15th " 1866-67.....	39264	44705	83969
16th " 1867-68.....	39971	46473	86444
17th " 1868-69.....	41495	50860	92355
18th " 1869-70.....	43680	57256	100936
19th " 1870-71.....	45093	60573	105666
20th " 1871-72.....	46614	72462	119076
21st " 1872-73.....	50508	76584	127092
22nd " 1873-74.....	52540	78395	130935
23rd " 1874-75.....	53821	79066	132887

Table 2.

Annual issues from each Library for each Year since the opening.

Year.	Reference Library.	Lending Libraries.						Annual Total.	Daily Average of the Aggregate Issue.
		Campfield.	Hulme.	Ancoats.	Rochdale Road.	Chorlton.	Cheetham.		
1st. 1852-53	61080	77232	Commenced Nov. 23, 1857.	Commenced Dec. 7, 1857.	Commenced June 4, 1860.	Commenced October 8, 1866.	Commenced January 29, 1872.	138312	461
2nd. 1853-54	64578	77767						142345	488
3rd. 1854-55	66261	81321						147582	495
4th. 1855-56	70770	85783						156553	523
5th. 1856-57	101991	96117						198108	666
6th. 1857-58	122772	98351	50129	38058				309310	1131
7th. 1858-59	115206	75449	67231	47626				305512	1036
8th. 1859-60	123084	74423	64598	47358	14366			323829	1250
9th. 1860-61	142433	78464	77395	51532	59194			409018	1371
10th. 1861-62	162496	100776	91763	55269	70061			480365	1611
11th. 1862-63	145958	121968	95967	59181	75472			498546	1667
12th. 1863-64	117166	98267	88988	56091	68494			429306	1435
13th. 1864-65	112026	96144	95687	54535	76556			434748	1454
14th. 1865-66	133066	84187	94183	45508	75606			432500	1485
15th. 1866-67	194349	88675	155555	41936	88602	105315		674432	2302
16th. 1867-68	262446	95308	167349	56246	94445	133890		809684	2772
17th. 1868-69	318563	97951	165302	68444	96020	147368		893648	3088
18th. 1869-70	307395	106416	172718	65534	114670	148155		914888	3119
19th. 1870-71	263641	125962	175776	72913	98725	180146		917163	3165
20th. 1871-72	203756	118094	172169	79319	103753	188047	41173	906311	3186
21st. 1872-73	184554	115657	161660	88112	130408	199970	63347	943708	3199
22nd. 1873-74	151700	108342	172312	86334	111492	189145	69954	889279	3045
23rd. 1874-75	161599	94834	167516	86918	99974	180390	68476	859707	2904

REFERENCE LIBRARY, BYROM STREET, CAMPFIELD,

ESTABLISHED SEPTEMBER 2ND, 1852.

Open to the Public gratuitously from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., during which time Books may be obtained by filling up a Readers' Ticket. No Book is permitted under any circumstances to be taken out of the Reading-room.

No. of Vols. in the Library.

Theology and Philosophy.	History, Travels, &c.	Politics and Commerce.	Science and Arts.	Literature and Polygraphy	Specifications of Patents.	Duplicates, and not yet Classed.	TOTAL.
4,632	14,348	8,530	6,858	14,828	3,718	907	53,821

No. of Readers during the Year.

Theology and Philosophy.	History, Travels, &c.	Politics and Commerce.	Science and Arts.	Literature and Polygraphy.	Specifications of Patents.	TOTAL.
3,172	6,536	8,156	9,126	13,689	932	41,611

No. of Issues during the Year.

BOOKS.

Theology and Philosophy.	History, Travels, &c.	Politics and Commerce.	Science and Arts.	Literature and Polygraphy.	Total No. of Vols.	Daily Average.
5,021	11,037	12,308	14,516	21,435	64,317	214

Issue of Patents.

Number of Specifications 97,282

Aggregate Issues.

Books and Specifications 161,599

No. of Vols. added 1,281

No. of Vols. bound or repaired 1,041

LIST OF PERIODICALS, TRANSACTIONS, SERIALS, & NEWSPAPERS IN PROGRESS IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Aberdeen University Calendar
Academy
Agricultural Gazette
Alliance News (presented)
All the Year Round
Almanach de Gotha
Alpine Journal
American Annals of Deaf and Dumb
American Journal of Science and Art
Annals of Natural History
Anthropologia (presented)
Archæological Journal
Architect
Army List, Monthly
Ditto Hart's Annual
Army and Navy Gazette
Art Journal
Astronomical Register
Athenæum
Atlantic Monthly
Australasian (presented)
Ballad Society Publications
Band of Hope Treasury (presented)
Ben Brierley's Journal
Bibliografia Italiana
Bibliotheca Sacra
Blackwood's Magazine
Bookseller
Bradshaw's Railway Manual
British Almanac
British Architect (presented)
British Postal Guide
British Quarterly Review
Brockhaus' Allgemeine Bibliographie
Builder
Building News
Building Societies Gazette (presented)
Bulletin of the Boston Public Library (presented)
Cambridge University Calendar
Camden Society Publications
Canadian Patent Office Record (presented)
Capital and Labor (presented)
Chambers of Commerce Chronicle (presented)
Chambers's Journal
Chaucer Society Publications
Chemical News
Chetham Society Publications
Church of the People (presented)
Clerical Directory
Colliery Guardian
Commissioners of Patents' Publications (presented)
Contemporary Review
Cope's Tobacco Plant (presented)
Cornhill Magazine
Curtis's Botanical Magazine
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Deutsche Rundschau
Dietetic Reformer (presented)
Dingler's Polytechnisches Journal
Dublin Review
Dublin University Calendar
Durham University Calendar
Early English Text Society Publications
Ditto ditto extra Series
Economist
Edinburgh Review
Edinburgh University Calendar
Educational Times
Engineer
Engineering
English Mechanic
Englishman
Entomologists' Monthly Magazine
Examiner, London
Financial Reformer (presented)
Florist and Pomologist
Fortnightly Review
Fraser's Magazine
Free Lance
Free Sunday Advocate (presented)
Gardener's Chronicle
Gentleman's Magazine
Geographical Magazine
Geological Society's Quarterly Journal
Glasgow University Calendar
Guardian, London
Hakluyt Society Publications
Hansard's Parliamentary Debates
Hardwicke's Science Gossip
Herald and Genealogist
Herald of Peace (presented)
Holbein Society Publications
Hongkong Government Gazette (presented)
Horological Journal
Illustrated Australian News (presented)
Inquirer (presented)
Intellectual Repository (presented)
Iron
John Bull
Journal des Economistes
Journal of Applied Science
Journal of Botany
Journal of Gas-Lighting
Journal of Scientific Industry (presented)
Journal of the Anthropological Institute (presented)
Journal of the Chemical Society
Journal of the East India Association (presented)
Journal of the House of Lords (presented)
Journal of the Iron and Steel Institute
Journal of the Royal Agricultural Society (presented)
Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society (presented)
Journal of the Royal Geographical Society (presented)
Journal of the Society of Arts (presented)
Journal of the Statistical Society of London
Lancet
Law List
Leader, Melbourne (presented)
Literary Mart
Liverpool Mercury
London Gazette
London, Edinburgh, and Dublin Philosophical Magazine

London Quarterly Review
London University Calendar
Longman's Notes on Books (presented)
Low's English Catalogue of Books
Macmillan's Magazine
Manchester and Salford Official Manual
Manchester and Salford Sanitary Association Returns (presented)
Manchester City Lantern
Manchester City News
Manchester Council Proceedings
Manchester Courier
Manchester Critic
Manchester Diocesan Church Calendar
Manchester Evening News
Manchester Evening Mail
Manchester Examiner and Times
Manchester Guardian
Manchester Real Property Journa (presented)
Manchester Scientific and Mechanical Society Publications (presented)
Manchester Weekly Post
Manchester Weekly Times Supplement
Medical Directory
Medium and Daybreak (presented)
Mining Journal
Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica
Month
Monthly Homœopathic Review (presented)
Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society (presented)
Monthly Report of the Manchester Steam Users' Association (presented)
Musical Times
National Education League Papers (presented)
National Portrait Gallery
Nature
Nautical Almanac
Navy List
New Shakspeare Society Publications.
Newman's Entomologist
Newspaper Press Directory
North American Review
Notes and Queries
Once-a-week
Owens College Calendar (presented)
Oxford University Calendar
Palæontological Society Publications
Pall Mall Gazette
Penny Post (presented)
Pharmaceutical Journal
Phonetic Journal
Phonographic Reporter
Popular Science Review
Portfolio
Proceedings and Memoirs of the Literary and Philosophical Society of Manchester (presented)
Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society (presented)
Proceedings of the Royal Society
Proceedings of the Royal Institution (presented)
Proceedings of the Zoological Society (presented)
Publishers' Circular
Quarterly Journal of Microscopical Science
Quarterly Journal of Science
Quarterly Review
Ray Society Publications
Reliquary
Revue Bibliographique Universelle
Revue Celtique
Revue des deux Mondes
Revista de Espana
Rivista Europea
Ruskin's Fors Clavigera
Salford Chronicle
Salford Weekly News
Saturday Review
School Board Chronicle
Scientific American
Shorthand Magazine
Smithsonian Institute Publications (presented)
Social Reformer (presented)
South Australian Gazette (presented)
Spectator
Spencer Society Publications
Standard
Statistics of the Colony of Victoria (presented)
Surtees Society Publications
Symons's Meteorological Magazine
Tablet
Teachers' List
Temple Bar
Theological Review
Times
Transactions of the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire (presented)
Transactions of the Manchester Geological Society (presented)
Transactions of the National Association for the Promotion of Social Science (presented)
Transactions of the Royal Society of Literature (presented)
Transactions of the Society of Biblical Archæology (presented)
Transactions of the Statistical Society of Manchester (presented)
Trübner's American and Oriental Literary Record (presented)
Ulula: Grammar School Magazine
Unitarian Herald (presented)
Weekly Examiner, Launceston, Tasmania (presented)
Westminster Review
Whitaker's Almanac
Woman's Suffrage Journal (presented)
Year Book of Facts
Young Men's Magazine (presented)
Zoologist

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

The Lending Departments consist of Six Libraries. Books for home reading may be obtained on the production of a borrower's card, which is granted to any person in exchange for a written engagement, signed according to the regulations for the safe return of the books. Borrowers may obtain books from 8-30 a.m. till 9-0 p.m. every library-day except Saturdays when the issue ceases at 5-0 p.m.

A News-room is attached to each Lending Library, open to the public for the gratuitous use of the newspapers and periodicals placed on the stands and tables from 8-30 a.m. till 9-0 p.m. every Library-day, Saturdays not excepted. Books may be obtained for perusal in the News-rooms by any person signing a Reading-room ticket. Books so obtained must be returned before leaving the room.

Name, Place, and Date of Establishment of each Lending Library.

Campfield	Byrom-street	2nd Sept., 1852.
Hulme	Stretford-road	23rd Nov., 1857.
Ancoats	Every-street	7th Dec., 1857.
Rochdale Road	Livesey-street	4th June, 1860.
Chorlton and Ardwick	Rusholme-road	6th Oct., 1866.
Cheetham	York-street, Cheetham	29th Jan., 1872.

Number of Volumes in each Lending Library.

Class.	Campfield.	Hulme.	Ancoats.	Rochdale Road.	Chorlton and Ardwick.	Cheetham.	Totals.
Theology and Philosophy	1023	684	600	628	701	642	4278
History, Biography, &c.	5501	4075	3572	3500	3976	1940	22564
Politics and Commerce	1124	346	243	457	301	318	2789
Science and Art	2113	1892	1429	1687	1427	1386	9934
Literature and Polygraphy	5926	3612	2640	3310	4004	1849	21341
Embossed Books for the Blind	54	21	25	22	20	0	142
Works of Fiction	2791	3040	3964	3617	2997	1609	18018
Totals	18532	13670	12473	13221	13426	7744	79066

Number of Books Added, Bound, Withdrawn, or Replaced.

	Added.	Bound or Repaired.	Withdrawn as Worn Out.	Worn Out Books Replaced.
Campfield	313	551	0	3
Hulme	179	945	0	0
Ancoats	191	647	146	0
Rochdale Road	171	517	37	48
Chorlton and Ardwick	92	952	303	127
Cheetham	170	663	48	17
Totals	1116	4275	534	195

No. of Vols. issued to Borrowers for Home Reading in each Lending Library during the Year.

	Theology and Philosophy.	History, Biography, Voyages, and Travels.	Politics and Commerce.	Science and Art.	General Literature.	Fiction.	Books for the Blind.	Totals.
Campfield	2071	9275	858	5826	15469	39259	17	72775
Hulme	2694	13144	479	8202	82353	20361	25	127258
Ancoats	1202	11381	208	4916	10585	41633	...	69925
Rochdale Road	1889	10221	621	4889	8719	58366	4	84709
Chorlton and Ardwick	5507	31458	1563	9081	20406	70511	7	138533
Cheetham	1706	5888	390	3962	8787	40846	...	61579
Totals	15069	81367	4119	36876	146319	270976	53	554779

No. of Vols. used in the Reading Room of each Lending Library during the Year.

	Theology and Philosophy.	History, Biography, Voyages, and Travels.	Politics and Commerce.	Science and Art.	General Literature.	Fiction.	Totals.
Campfield	322	1874	1295	1239	14987	2359	22076
Hulme,	588	3970	1331	3809	5880	24680	40258
Ancoats	210	1858	238	1478	10508	2701	16993
Rochdale Road	202	1111	655	820	645	11832	15265
Chorlton and Ardwick.	889	4679	629	3710	8640	23310	41857
Cheetham	72	296	389	311	5291	538	6897
Totals	2283	13788	4537	11367	45951	65420	143346

Number of times each Library has been used during the Year.

	Days open.	Readers.			
		At home.	Daily average.	In the Reading Room.	Daily average.
Campfield	299	63194	213	20942	70
Hulme	297	104923	353	39678	134
Ancoats	293	58331	199	16335	56
Rochdale Road	295	68600	233	12265	42
Chorlton and Ardwick	297	124869	420	39487	133
Cheetham	293	54299	185	6738	23
Totals		474216	1603	135445	458

Borrowers' Cards.

	Issued during the year.	Cancelled.	Transferred.	Remaining in force.
Campfield	1690	2665	146	5381
Hulme	2495	2778	120	6761
Ancoats	1569	1429	54	4855
Rochdale Road	1595	1610	57	5338
Chorlton and Ardwick	2449	3045	138	7286
Cheetham	1475	2207	69	3405
Totals	11273	13734	584	33026

Number of times persons have used the Newsrooms during the weeks ending February 13th, 1875, and September 18th, 1875.

February, 1875.	Campfield.	Hulme.	Ancoats.	Rochdale Road.	Chorlton.	Cheetham.	Totals.
Monday	910	1261	1076	801	1269	631	5948
Tuesday	1110	1074	961	929	1284	1009	6367
Wednesday	1036	983	626	870	1347	758	5620
Thursday	794	1076	988	640	1271	655	5424
Friday	796	1127	1117	984	1086	610	5720
Saturday	596	1061	1069	945	941	597	5209
Totals for the week	5242	6582	5837	5169	7198	4260	34288
Daily averages	874	1097	973	860	1199	710	5715
September, 1875.							
Monday	1348	1063	824	953	1121	458	5767
Tuesday	1188	1219	947	962	1139	400	5855
Wednesday	1207	1158	937	911	1078	446	5737
Thursday	1074	1117	971	833	1157	421	5573
Friday	928	947	924	791	1029	506	5125
Saturday	748	904	513	508	876	498	4047
Totals for the week	6493	6408	5116	4958	6400	2729	32104
Daily averages	1082	1068	853	826	1066	455	5351

Periodicals and Newspapers taken at the Branches.	Campfield. No. of Copies.	Hulme. No. of Copies.	Ancoats. No. of Copies.	Rochdale Road. No. of Copies.	Chorlton. No. of Copies.	Cheetham. No. of Copies.
QUARTERLY.						
British Quarterly Review	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dublin Review	1	...	...	...	...	1
Edinburgh Review	1	1	1	1	1	1
London Quarterly Review	1	...	...	1	1	1
Popular Science Review	1	1	...	...	1	1
Quarterly Review	1	1	1	1	1	1
Westminster Review	1	1	...	1	1	1
MONTHLY.						
All the Year Round	2	2	1	2	2	1
Animal World	...	...	...	...	1	...
Argosy	1	1	2	1	2	1
Atlantic Monthly	1	...	...	...	...	1
Band of Hope Review	2	4	4	4	2	...
§Band of Hope Treasury	3	3	3	3	3	3
Belgravia	2	1	1	1	1	1
Blackwood's Magazine	1	1	1	1	1	1
§British Evangelist	1	1	1	1	2	1
British Mail	...	1	1	...	1	...
British Workman	2	4	4	4	2	...
Cassell's Magazine	1	1	2	...	1	1
§Chadwick's Investment Circular	1	1	...	...	...	...
§Chambers of Commerce Chronicle	2	2	2	1	1	2
Chambers' Journal	2	2	1	1	2	1
§Church of the People	2	2	2	2	2	1
Contemporary Review	1	1	1	1	1	1
§Cope's Tobacco Plant	...	1	...	1	1	...
Cornhill Magazine	2	2	1	2	2	1
§Dietetic Reformer	1	1	1	1	1	1
Educational Times	...	...	...	...	1	...
§Financial Reformer	1	...	...	...	...	...
Fortnightly Review	1	1	1	...	...	...
Fraser's Magazine	1	1	1	1	1	1
§Gartenlaube	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gentleman's Magazine	1	1	1	1	1	...
Good Things	1	2	1	1	1	1
Good Words	1	2	1	1	2	1
Hardwicke's Science Gossip	1	...	...	...	1	1
§Herald of Peace	1	...	...	...	...	...
Journal of Education	...	...	...	...	1	...
Leisure Hour	2	2	1	1	2	1
London Society	2	2	1	2	1	1
Macmillan's Magazine	1	1	1	1	2	1

Those indicated thus § are presented.

Periodicals and Newspapers taken at the Branches.	Campfield. No. of Copies.	Hulme. No. of Copies.	Ancoats. No. of Copies.	Rochdale Road. No. of Copies.	Chorlton. No. of Copies.	Cheetham. No. of Copies.
MONTHLY—*Continued.*						
Musical Record	...	...	...	...	1	...
Musical Times	...	1	1	1	1	...
§National Church	...	1	1	1	1	1
§National Education League Papers	5	5	5	5	5	5
Notes and Queries	1	...	...	...	...	...
Once a Week	2	2	1	2	2	1
§Penny Post	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phonographic Reporter	...	1	...	...	1	...
Phonographic Student	...	...	...	...	1	...
Quiver	...	...	1	...	1	...
Railway Guide—Bradshaw's	1	1	1	1	1	2
" §Cheetham's	1	1	...	...	...	...
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Sunday Magazine	1	2	1	1	2	1
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Free Lance	1	1	...	...	1	1
Fun	1	1	1	1	2	1
Gardener's Chronicle	1	1	...	...	1	...
Gardener's Magazine	...	...	...	...	1	...
Glasgow Herald	1	...	...	...	1	...
Graphic	1	1	2	1	1	1
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Land and Water	1	1	1	1	1	...
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Manchester City News	3	3	3	3	3	1
Manchester Critic	1	1	1	1	1	1
Manchester Weekly Courier	1	1	...	...	1	...
Manchester Weekly Times	1	1	1	1	2	1
§Midland Counties Herald	2	...	...	...	...	...
Musical Standard	1	...	...	...	...	...
Nature	1	1	1	1	1	1
Newcastle Chronicle	...	...	...	1	...	...
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Railway News	...	...	...	...	1	...
§Rock	1	...	...	...	...	1
Salford Chronicle	1	...	...	1	...	1
Salford Weekly News	1	1	1	1	...	1
Saturday Journal	...	...	...	...	1	...
Saturday Review	1	1	1	1	1	1
School Board Chronicle	...	1	1	...	1	...
Scientific American	1	1	1	1	1	1
Scotsman	1	1	1	1	1	1
Spectator	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sunday at Home	1	1	1	1	1	1
§Unitarian Herald	1	1	1	1	1	1
Warrington Guardian	1	1	...	1	...	1
Wrexham Advertiser	...	1	...	...	...	...
SEMI-WEEKLY.						
§Oldham Express	1	...	...	...	...	...
DAILY.						
Birmingham Daily Gazette	1	...	...	...	...	...
Birmingham Daily Post	1	..	1	1	1	...
Bradford Chronicle	1	...	...	...	...	...
§Cork Daily Herald	1	...	...	...	...	...
Cork Examiner	...	1	1	...	...	...
Daily News	1	1	1	1	1	1
Daily Telegraph	1	1	1	1	1	1
Globe	1	1	1	...	1	...
Hour	1	1	1	...	...	...
Irish Times	...	1	1	...	...	...
Leeds Mercury	1	1	1	1	1	1
Liverpool Courier	1	1	...	1	1	...
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Manchester Courier	3	3	3	2	3	1
Manchester Evening Mail	3	5	2	2	5	2
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